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Timely Tidbits ...

Primary: August 8

Linda Choate, Romulus City Clerk, and Rendell Wooden, Election Clerk, would like to remind voters that the Presidential Primary Election has been set for Tuesday, August 8. For more information, call 734-942-7540.

National Night Out

The City of Romulus will host its annual "National Night Out" program on Saturday, July 29, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The old-fashioned carnival-type event – to be held in and around the Romulus Recreation/Senior Center on Bibbins in the downtown area – is a program that shows community support for local law-enforcement and demonstrates a united front against crime. For more information, see page 10.

Blood Drive at St. Al's

The St. Aloysius Catholic Community is sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday, August 6, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Both appointments and walk-ins are welcome. For more information, call 734-941-5056.

Flyers Registration at Recreation Center

The Romulus Flyers are in need of varsity football players (age 12–13) for the 2000–2001 season. Openings are also available for cheerleaders (age 8–13). Registration will be held August 4 (6 to 8 p.m.) and August 5 (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.) at the Romulus Recreation Center (36515 Bibbins, in downtown Romulus). Fee is $30 for one child; $15 per additional family member. Parents must bring proof of residency and child's birth certificate.

Registration for K–6

Romulus Community Schools is now accepting registrations for students in grades kindergarten through six at the district's administrative office (36540 Grant Road) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each weekday through August 11. For more information, call 734-941-1600. ❑

District Breaks Ground for New Elementary

Taking part in the ground-breaking ceremony for the Romulus Community Schools' new elementary were (from left) Superintendent Joel Carr and Romulus Board of Education members Alan Lambert (Treasurer), Eva Webb (Secretary), Debbie Dick (Trustee), Michael Woods (President), Ken Berlinn (Vice-president), Billy McCraight (Trustee), and Betty Lenossi (Trustee). ***More photos on page 5.***

Romulus Community Schools signaled the start of construction on its new elementary school with a special ground-breaking ceremony held Tuesday, July 18. The new school will be located on Beverly Road just west of Henry Ruff, and is scheduled to open in the fall of 2001.

Among the more than 200 attendees who were present for the ceremony / luncheon were many local dignitaries as well as district staff members, parents, and other area residents.

"We are looking forward to beginning the construction process on what will be one of the finest elementary schools in southeastern Michigan," said Joel Carr, Superintendent.

Spokesperson Richard Kruse noted that the new elementary represents the culmination of months of research and development by a special committee working with the district's architectural firm, Kingscott Associates; the district's construction managers, Barton Malow; and the Romulus Board of Education. The planning process included detailed interviews with Romulus elementary teachers and support staff, in addition to "field trips" to other regional school districts to observe special features incorporated into their elementaries.

Bringing the benefit of their backgrounds/professional expertise to the Elementary Planning Committee were the following members:

- Board of Education members Mike Woods (President), Ken Berlinn (Vice-president), and Alan Lambert (Treasurer);
- Central Office administrators Joel Carr (Superintendent) and Tom Dolan (Curriculum Director);
- Principals Phyllis Adkins (Cory), Diane Golka (Barth), Debbie Juriga (Wick), Shellie Moore (Merriman), Lynne Mossoian (Halecreek), and Jeffrey Royal (formerly of Barth);
- Teachers Pat Adams, Marge Alson, Rob Baty, Bill Baum, Wendy Blohm, Linda Maich, Nancy McLellan, Kathy Motyka, Gretchen Notarro, Sharon Silveri, Laura Smith, and Cheryl VanAllen;
- Support Staff members Linda Cook, Matt McGrane, and Laurie Berlinn;
- Community members Patty Stewart and Reverend Rita Talley;
- Kingscott Associates members Sarah Haselschwardt, Sylvia Kowalk, Lee Andrea, Alton Ainslie, and Kirsten Wheeler; and
- Barton Malow members David Martin and Todd Ketola.

The Board of Education recently appointed a committee to discuss possible names for the new elementary school. Its members are Board Secretary Eva Webb (Chairperson), Treasurer Alan Lambert, and Trustee Debbie Dick. A principal will be appointed during the upcoming school year. ❑

Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: All letters to the editor must contain the writer's signature and a telephone number where he/she can be reached in order to verify the letter's authenticity. Names will be withheld by request if, in our opinion, the letter's content merits anonymity. The Romulus News *reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.*

Program Benefits Teens

Dear Editor:

The Oakwood Healthcare System and First Step have successfully completed the first year of their Sexual Assault Awareness Program. Oakwood's Teen Health Centers (Inkster, Romulus, and Taylor) partnered with First Step (Western Wayne County's Project on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault) to implement the Adolescent Sexual Assault Awareness Program (ASAAP) in Inkster, Romulus, and Taylor-Truman high schools.

The ASAAP educates freshmen high-school students on sexual assault awareness through a series of three presentations. Additionally, 10–12 freshmen will be selected to present the ASAAP to the incoming freshmen for the next two years. This program was developed with the goals of:

- reducing sexual assault,
- increasing awareness through peer education, and
- decreasing stereotypical and victim-blaming attitudes.

Throughout the 1999–2000 school year, over 500 freshmen received the three ASAAP presentations. A total of 23 presentations were given per month.

The students from the high schools expressed their gratitude for the program. For instance, some of their comments have included: *"I never knew anything about 'date-rape drugs' until I saw these presentations. Thank you."* and *"Thank you for coming in and talking to us about sexual assault. It is an important topic that all teenagers should be aware of."*

Staff at the high schools also have been very receptive towards the program. Some of their comments have included: *"Thank you for bringing the ASAAP to our high school. It has been very beneficial for our students."* and *"It is important for all kids to be made aware of the issues regarding sexual assault."*

Particularly vital to the success of this important community project has been the ongoing support of everyone at the three high schools and the teen health centers, especially:

- Rita Bowman, Edison Foundation/ Inkster Coordinator;
- Terry Boguth, CEO, Inkster Public Schools;
- Daniel Hurst, Principal, Romulus High School;
- Edward Buchynski, Principal, Taylor-Truman High School;
- Eunice Johnson, Program Director, Inkster Teen Health Center;
- Diane Vidovic, Program Director, Romulus Adolescent Health Center; and
- Yolanda Johnson, Program Director, Taylor Teen Health Center.

We feel that celebrating youth as leaders and role models in the movement to end domestic and sexual violence benefits the community as a whole, and we wish to commend these youth for participating in this program.

We can all work together to make a difference in our communities!

Sincerely,
Judy Ellis
Executive Director
ASAAP

Yerman "Warns" EDS

To the Editor:

Is your article entitled "Well Opponents March on 'Environmental Justice'" – as well as your caption, "EDS President Doug Wicklund answers 'environmental justice' claims with Census statistics" – a ploy so that Doug Wicklund can start drilling "with 'little paper' in hand" once Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) Director Russ Harding approves the final permits? (*The Romulus News*, June 2, 2000)

On page 2 of the above-mentioned article, you refer to Representative Ray Basham and myself: "... Accordingly, when RECAP member Sandra Yerman and State Representative Ray Basham contacted the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and expressed their belief that the EDS project would result in environmental injustice for the surrounding community, the EPA made a thorough review of the subject. ..."

Romulus News, in this paragraph, you've put the cart before the horse; and throughout the whole article, you've not identified which EPA agencies you are referring to, nor which EPA agencies are appropriately involved, *leaving out the EPA's "head honcho" for environmental justice complaints – the EPA Office of Civil Rights (OCR), located in Washington, D.C. – entirely!*

To clarify the above paragraph, et al.:

1. ("... the EPA made a thorough review of the subject. ...") You are referring to the EPA, Region 5, in Chicago, Illinois, which made a preliminary review of environmental justice, which was sent to all interested parties who made written/oral comments regarding EPA/UIC (underground injection control) permits at the public hearing(s). (The mailing was sent around March 1998, I believe.)

2. ("... when RECAP member Sandra Yerman and State Representative Ray Basham contacted the [EPA] ...") Representative Basham and I appealed to the Environmental Appeals Board of the EPA in Washington, D.C., regarding the two EPA/UIC permits granted to EDS. Our appeals were denied, and the Environmental Appeals Board of the EPA made further comments regarding environmental justice, but environmental justice was not the main body of either Ray's or my appeals!

3. The next paragraph refers to the EPA, Region 5; the paragraph after that refers to the Environmental Appeals Board of the EPA, as does the paragraph after that (I believe). This (to not ID the appropriate EPA agency having been involved) is misleading reporting on *The Romulus News*' part.

4. (regarding the "head honcho" – the EPA OCR in Washington, D.C. – Director Ann E. Goode) *A viable Title VI complaint, which has been acknowledged received and accepted for review, with resulting stringent directives, could prevent/stop EDS from operating!* (under the authority of the EPA OCR).

a. There are three viable (i.e., filed within the 180-day time period following the appeal of the Part 625 permits granted by the MDEQ) Title VI complaints filed with the EPA OCR (against the MDEQ, regarding EDS) by R.P. and Helena Lilly, Debbie Romak, and myself (I believe). Receipt of these three Title VI complaints has been acknowledged, in writing, by the EPA OCR. We have not, as yet, heard whether the EPA OCR will accept our three Title VI complaints for review, but I believe that they will be accepted for review; and I

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Guest Commentary

Big Oil Industry Needs Some Changes

By State Representative Mike Hanley, House Democratic Leader

Although gas prices have declined from their record highs, there is little argument that they were out of control. That raises concerns about the effects of those prices. Michigan is at its peak season for gasoline consumption – the summer vacation and tourist season – and gas prices are a part of not only our personal budgets, but the state's tourism and agriculture industries as well.

The oil industry mounted a very public lobbying effort to convince consumers that extenuating circumstances – including busted pipelines, low reserves, cleaner gasoline, and foreign governments – were to blame for people in Midwest states like Michigan paying upwards of 50 cents more for a gallon of gasoline than people in other areas of the nation. All the while, "Big Oil" was raking in big profit.

But the control which these oil corporations have over the price of gasoline needs to be examined. The oil giants exercise this control through corporate ownership of about 1,500 service stations, or roughly 25% of all the gasoline retail outlets in Michigan. Furthermore, the oil companies control another 50% of the market through exclusive supplier contracts with service stations owned and operated by independent businesspeople. Corporate retail outlets, combined with exclusive contracts, give big oil companies the power to set and adjust prices arbitrarily and unilaterally.

Democrats in the Michigan House of Representatives have decided that we cannot sit back and do nothing. We have proposed a package of legislation to open the gasoline retail market to more competition, thereby lowering prices at the pump now and helping to prevent future price gouging by big oil companies.

The main element of the Democratic plan is a bill that would force big oil corporations like Shell, Exxon/Mobil, and BP/Amoco to sell the nearly 1,500 Michigan service stations they own to independent retailers. Our plan also would end the exclusive supply contracts which limit independent retailers to one or two suppliers and prevent them from seeking the lowest wholesale price from among several gasoline refiners and passing the savings along to motorists.

Our proposal also includes legislation to prohibit the practice of zone pricing, in which big oil corporations set artificial prices based on where service stations are located. We also are looking at creating a new state excess profits tax to be paid only by big oil corporations whose profits exceed a certain threshold in their Michigan businesses. This would discourage them from engaging in profiteering, an oil industry practice of using artificially high prices to gouge consumers and maximize profits.

These proposals loosen the iron-fisted grip of big oil companies over the marketplace and lower prices by increasing competition. While some policy makers have focused on reducing taxes paid by motorists – and Democrats are open to discussing this option – we must focus on the root of the problem: big oil's control over supply and prices.

For too long, anti-competitive practices have put Michigan consumers at the mercy of big oil corporations. It is obvious that the power of these corporations to artificially control the price of gasoline, through their control of 75% of the retail marketplace, is a significant factor in how much we pay to fill our tanks. We all know that competition drives down prices. So if Michigan consumers are to see long-term relief, we must make the gasoline market more competitive. ❑

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believe that environmental injustice will be found by the EPA OCR regarding the MDEQ! (And EDS has/had ex-MDEQ/MDNR [Michigan Department of Natural Resources] and ex-EPA employees work on permits for the Citrin Drive site, so EDS is at least indirectly involved!) *Therefore, I would caution Doug Wicklund: Don't start drilling, even if/when Harding gives final approval; additional issues besides "Census statistics" (of arbitrary circles around the well site) are involved here!* And, in my Title VI complaint, I maintain it is the City of Romulus' Census statistics (24% minority), and not some arbitrary circle around the project, that should be taken into consideration by the EPA OCR! And, among many other reasons, I maintain that the MDEQ is treating Romulus/citizens as "separate, but equal" by approving permits in a city (Romulus) that has a higher-than-average minority/low-income population than the surrounding areas (and above the State average of 18%), combined with the implied universal MDEQ verbiage (paraphrased): "The MDEQ protects the health of all citizens of the State of Michigan equally." (Plus many more reasons.)

b. I filed a Title VI complaint with the EPA OCR regarding the EPA/UIC permit approval. My Title VI complaint was denied for review because the EPA issued the permits, and the EPA does not receive funds from the EPA as the MDEQ does. I can appeal the denial of that Title VI complain because the EPA OCR did not consider the directive of President Clinton's Executive Order 12898 in the denial of my Title VI complaint! (See second paragraph, page 2, of *The Romulus News'* article.)

5. *I believe that* The Romulus News' *June 2 article is a Trojan Horse giving Doug Wicklund cover to start drilling – Wicklund using the premise of having read in* The Romulus News *that the EPA environmental justice issue is over and done with,* due to (arbitrary) "Census statistics" (decided by EPA Region 5 and the Environmental Appeals Board of the EPA)!

It appears that EPA Region 5 believes that the environmental justice issue is over and done with, but I believe that EPA Region 5, the MDEQ (formerly the MDNR), and EDS are all just one big, happy family (because of criss-cross employment)!

The "head honcho" of the EPA OCR has not spoken yet! *I would caution Doug Wicklund: Don't start drilling – the money you save may be your own (or the DPFRS'). Don't say we didn't warn you this time!*

Sincerely,

Sandra K. Yerman ❑

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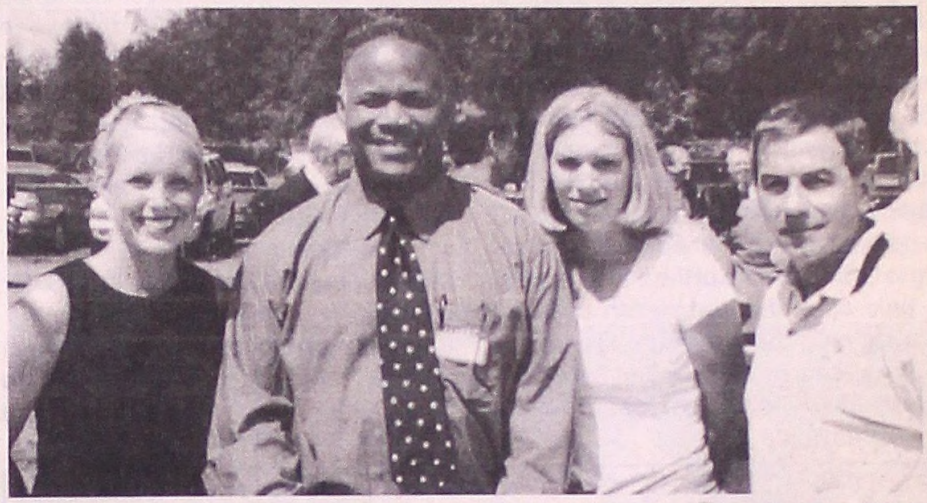
Breaking Ground

Among those representing the City of Romulus at the School District's ground-breaking ceremony were (from left) Anita Johnson, Personnel Director; Pamela Morrison-Kersey, Treasurer; William M. Oakley, Mayor; and Eva Webb, staff member, Clerk's office/School Board Secretary.



Also in attendance were (from left) Deanna Strong, Coordinator, 21st Century Learning Program; Michael Woods, President, Romulus Board of Education; Lisa Stackhouse, Assistant, 21st Century Program; and Frank Rigger, Director, Romulus Boys & Girls Club.

Other guests included (from left) Marsha Lewis, representative from Congresswoman Lynn Rivers' office; Jason Lovette, former Board of Education member; Ethel Lovette; Mary Oakley; and Sheila Stasak, physical-education teacher, Barth Elementary School.

Still others who were in attendance included (from left) Barb Jaszcz (first-grade teacher, Merriman Elementary School); Rosalie Berlinn, media tech, Romulus High School; Laurie Berlinn, media tech, Halecreek Elementary School; and Cathy Kudra, kindergarten teacher, Halecreek.

One of the event's most special guests was Dr. William Bedell, former Superintendent (center), who enjoyed chatting with Deborah Street, first-grade teacher at Barth Elementary School, and Kenneth Berlinn, Vice-president, Board of Education.

Following the ground-breaking ceremony, the 200+ guests made the most of the beautiful summer weather by taking part in a picnic-style luncheon and enjoying the camaraderie of their neighbors on this historic occasion.

Local Summer Students Get Visit from Army Recruiter

Earlier this month, the combined Romulus/Belleville summer-school program received a special visitation from Sergeant Michael Graham of the U.S. Army recruiting station in Taylor.

Sgt. Graham had a great deal of information to share with the students. He focused on the fact that students making a four-year commitment to the Army are now eligible for a $20,000 signing bonus, as well as up to $50,000 in additional funds for college. According to Graham, 75% of the bonus money is paid upon the completion of basic training, with the remainder distributed over the course of the student's enlistment period. The college funds are available at any time.

In order to give students some idea of the difficulty level of the Army's enlistment examination, Sgt. Graham allowed them to take a sample test on his laptop computer. The students were then given their scores, along with information on how their test performance would affect their eligibility for enlistment.

Anyone who would like more information about enlisting can contact Sgt. Graham at 888-997-3654.

The Romulus/Belleville summer-school program features classes for both middle- and high-school students. Classes are conducted at Romulus High School. Principals for the program are Al Wilkerson (high-school level) and Kelly Knight (middle-school level). ❑

Sergeant Michael Graham of the U.S. Army recruiting station in Taylor discussed the advantages of enlisting with Sarah Robinson (left) and Alex Odgers.

Traffic Crash Kills Firefighter

A recent traffic crash on Pennsylvania Road west of Inkster Road took the life of Andrew David Ross, a 32-year-old firefighter from Trenton, according to Executive Lieutenant Eric Painter of the Romulus Police Department.

At 10:25 p.m. on Friday, July 21, Ross – riding his 1997 Harley-Davidson motorcycle – was traveling westbound on Pennsylvania when an eastbound 1993 Ford Probe attempted to pass a slower-moving vehicle and collided with the motorcycle. Calls regarding the crash and its resultant fire brought police officers and firefighters from both Romulus and Huron Township to the scene, as well as Community Emergency Medical Service (CEMS) personnel.

Although Ross was wearing a helmet, the sheer force of the impact caused massive trauma to his body. He was transported to Annapolis Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

The driver of the Probe – a 38-year-old resident of Riverview – was taken to Heritage Hospital, where he was treated and released. Authorities are withholding his name pending the results of their investigation.

"At this point, we don't believe that intoxicants were a factor in this incident, although we have not yet obtained the results of blood and urine tests," stated Painter. "Once the investigation is complete, the results will be turned over to the Prosecutor's office for review and possible charges."

Conducting the investigation are Romulus Police Officers Cliff West and Duane Smith. Anyone with information regarding the incident should contact them at 734-941-8400. ❑

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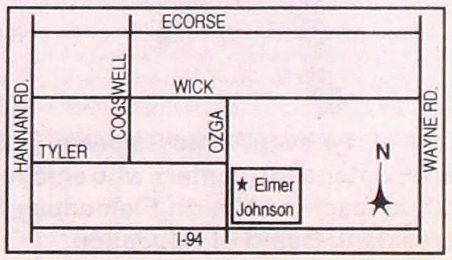

Community Calendar

- **Belleville Farmer's Market** – The City of Belleville is sponsoring a weekly Farmer's Market which will open at 7 a.m. each Saturday through the balance of the growing season. The market is located in the parking lot behind the Museum at 405 Main Street. Vendors are invited to bring their fresh produce and food items, as well as homemade baked goods and other homemade food products to sell. To help defray the costs of advertising and promotion, vendors will be charged $8 per day per stall. For information/application, call the Belleville City Clerk: 734-697-9323.
- **Del Magee Memorial Show** – WSDS and Taylor/Goble Productions will present the second annual Del Magee Memorial Show – a benefit for the Ronnie Cochran Transplant Fund and S.O.S. Community Services – on Saturday, July 29, at the Ypsilanti Moose Lodge (I–94 to Exit 183 South to Stoney Creek Road). Broadcast live on WSDS Radio (1480 AM), the concert will feature music by Tommy Taylor & the New River Band (2 p.m.), Eddie Adkins & the Southerners (3 p.m.), Fully Loaded (4 p.m.), Roni Lee & Co. (5 p.m.), and Marv Weyer & His Pals (6 p.m.). Keith Jason of WSDS will emcee the event. Concession food and beverages will be available; *no alcoholic beverages will be permitted.* Doors open at 1 p.m. Admission is $6 for ages 12 and up; kids under 12 get in free.
- **"Jam for the Lamb"** – The 4th Annual "Jam for the Lamb" Christian youth concert, geared to the ears of ages 13 to 20, is set for Saturday, August 5. Headlining the festival will be Polarboy, a Nashville-based group that's a purveyor of classic rock/acoustic/alternative music. Regional bands will include Big Al's Coaster Club (ska), BCOG Praise Team (tribal rock), Son of Adam (rock/alternative), and Nitro Praise (hip-hop/techno). Plans also call for tons of outdoor activities, including rollerblading, Twinkie-eating contests, tug-o-war, 3-on-3 basketball, skateboarding, and beach volleyball. Lawn chairs, frisbees, and coolers are welcome; concession food will be available. Admission to the event (to be held on the grounds of the Milan Free Methodist Church at US-23 and Carpenter Road) is $5 per person. Tickets are available at the gate or in advance at Crossroads Bible and Book in Ann Arbor. For more information, call Tracy Ball at 734-697-5606.
- ***The Mayor's Chair*** – The next edition of the monthly *Mayor's Chair* program will air on cable channel 12 beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, August 10. Special guests will be Phyllis Adkins, Principal of Cory Elementary School, who will answer questions about the parent/student/teacher compact for the upcoming school year, as well as Board of Education President Michael Woods, who will update the community on the status of the district's current improvement projects (including the new elementary school, athletic facilities, swimming pool, and technology facilities). Anyone who would like to be present when the program is taped must be seated in the Council Chambers at Romulus City Hall (11111 Wayne Road, at Goddard) by 6:15 p.m. Beginning at 6 p.m., home viewers can ask questions of the Mayor and his guests by calling 734-942-7571.
- ***Godspell*** – The Downriver Teen Players will present *Godspell* at the Woodhaven High School Auditorium on Friday, August 11, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, August 12, at 2 and 8 p.m.; and Sunday, August 13 (special dinner-theater performance) at 5 p.m. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday performances are $6 for adults/$5 for students and senior citizens, and are available in advance or at the door; dinner-theater tickets, $15 each, must be purchased in advance. For more information, call 734-487-8439.
- **Immunization Fair** – Romulus Community Schools – in collaboration with the Romulus Adolescent Health Center and Oakwood Healthcare Outreach – will host an immunization fair at Merriman Elementary School on Thursday, August 24, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. All vaccinations ($2 each) will be available. In order for a child to be immunized, his or her parent must be present, and must bring a copy of the child's shot record. For more information, call Laura Ralko at 734-941-0272.
- **Parade of Lights** – The City of Romulus Parade of Lights will be held Friday, September 15, in conjunction with the Romulus Pumpkin Festival. For information on how you can take part, either as a member of the parade or a crowd control/parking volunteer, call Donna/Deanna (734-941-3008).

To place information in our next issue's Community Calendar, mail it to "the little paper" at P.O. Box 74038, Romulus, MI 48174–0038; FAX it to us at 941-4874; or call 941-1907 or 941-3113

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Romulus Hosts Visitors from National Health Conference

The Romulus Adolescent Health Center, located in Romulus High School, recently played host to about 40 visitors who were taking part in the National Teen Health Center Conference held in Dearborn. The Center, which just celebrated its tenth anniversary, drew the attention of the group because of its continued success in the area of youth health care.

Hailing from many different parts of the United States, the visitors represented a wide variety of disciplines and viewpoints. For example, Judy Scully of Chicago is an assistant professor at Loyola University, which monitors teen health clinics in the Chicago area. James Washington of Phoenix is the administrator of nine health centers. Physician's assistant Janine Solano is a clinic coordinator in Denver. Gloria James is the director of 27 school-based centers in Dover, Delaware.

All seemed impressed with both the Romulus facility and the programs offered by its staff members. ❑

(From left) Sherry Nelson of Romulus enjoyed sharing information with National Teen Health Center Conference participants Judy Scully, James Washington, Janine Solano, and Gloria James.

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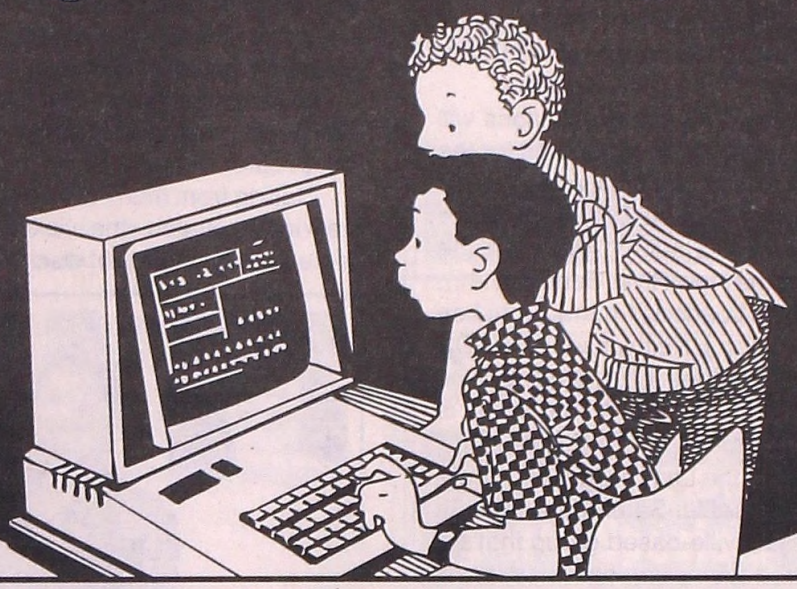

Romulus Community Schools Offer

- A Four-dimensional Tutorial System, Including
  - One-on-one Reading Tutoring
  - 26 District Reteachers
  - After-school Academies
  - Summer Reading Instruction
- Individualized Education Plans for 6th- and 8th-grade Students
- 500-student Summer School with Enrichment Programs
- Presidential Award-winning Service-learning Program/Leadership Classes
- State-ranked Athletic Programs
- State-acclaimed, 600-student Band Program
- Dance Studio - Musicals - Drama - Choir
- Foreign Language Classes in Grades 7 through 12
- Health Occupations Program
- Successful Robotics Team
- First-place Winners in Middle School Science and Social Studies Olympiads
- Science Fairs at All Schools

We are now accepting registrations for students in grades kindergarten through six at the district's administrative office (located at 36540 Grant Road) from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each weekday through August 11.

Romulus Community Schools Board of Education and Staff

Summer Enrichment

Taking part in (back, right) Carrie Smith's art class were (from left): front row – Narjis Sheikh (fourth grade, Merriman), Bianca Mack (fourth grade, Wick), and Amelia Britz (fifth grade, Barth); back row – Yetty Emanuel (sixth grade, Cory) and Samantha Mack (sixth grade, Wick).

Attending the "Fantastic Flyers" enrichment class, taught by Crestwood Schools teacher Angela Sleger (right), were (from left): Harry Capron (third grade, Barth), Kyra Crawford (second grade, Cory), Amber Sears (third grade, Cory), and Jasmine Harris (third grade, Cory).

Fifth-grader Serrina O'Brien (back) helps kindergartners (from left) Andrew Briscoe (Cory), Earl Smith (Wick), Francella Foreman (Wick), Faith Rhinehart (Wick), Malik Lewis II (Wick), and Devon Hearst (Cory) work to identify smells at the Cory-Wick Summer School program.

Among those who have been busy at the Romulus Boys & Girls Club's Cory Elementary School site are (from left): front row – Carrie Young (staff) and Cherica Peoples; back row – Lindsay Rhoton (staff), Aaron Myles, Donald Myles, Curtis Jackson (staff), and Leslie Pitts (staff).

"Techno-Terrifics" who have been working on Website design featuring virtual reality include (from left): front row – Emily Davis (fourth grade, Merriman) and Alysa Long (sixth grade, Barth); back row – Brittnee Shreve (sixth grade, Barth) and Tiffany Gray (sixth grade, Barth).

Kaylee Meek enjoys playing some pool with staff member Nicole Stopera at the Romulus Boys & Girls Club's Merriman Elementary School site. Altogether, the Romulus club now has more than 600 members who take advantage of its many services and activities.

"Night Out" Promises Plenty of Good Old-fashioned Fun

What better way to spend a beautiful summer day than by taking part in some old-fashioned, carnival-type fun?

On Saturday, July 29, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., the City of Romulus will host its annual "National Night Out" Fun Day – a program that offers an enjoyable way to show community support for local law-enforcement and demonstrate a united front against crime. The program will be held in and around the Romulus Recreation/Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins in the downtown area.

Linda Norman, Senior Citizen Program Coordinator for the City and one of the event's chief organizers, discussed some of the day's highlights.

"It's going to be an extravaganza of free entertainments," she explained.

"Among the biggest attractions will be the free carnival games. Besides a ring toss, basketball shoot, and other traditional games, there will also be a dart toss at local officials and businessmen as well as a chance to dunk your favorite 34th District Court Judge.

"Free entertainment will feature music, dancing, and K-9 demonstrations put on by the Romulus Police Department," she continued. "Still other free attractions will include hayrides, bingo (4 to 6 p.m.), face painting (10 a.m.), fortune telling (3 to 5 p.m.), sack races, hoola-hoop contests, and more.

"And those who come early can snack on free hot dogs and nachos, furnished by the Romulus Community Schools' service-learning department (while supplies last)."

Norman added that those who love all things handmade will want to visit the craft area, where many unique items will be available for purchase.

She also mentioned that a limited number of tickets ($7.50 each) will be available for a sit-down dinner of appetizer, nonalcoholic "wine," salad, barbecue pork, Monterey chicken, scalloped potatoes, green beans, roll, and dessert.

In case of inclement weather, as many activities as possible will be moved under canopies or indoors. ❑

ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 26, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, June 26, 2000, was called to order by President Betty M. Lenossi at 6:16 P.M.

Roll call showed member Kenneth Berlinn absent (excused). All administrators were present. Member Berlinn arrived at 6:24 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Lenossi.

BUDGET HEARING:

Mr. William A. Routhier, Director of Business and Operations, presented the 2000–2001 budget to members of the Board of Education. He and Superintendent Joel R. Carr responded to questions posed by members of the Board.

REGULAR MEETING:

The Board convened its Regular Meeting at 6:30 P.M.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

6/00/16 Moved by Webb supported by Lambert to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

6/00/17 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert to approve the Minutes of June 13, 2000, as presented (Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 [Dick]), and the Minutes of June 14, 2000, as presented (Ayes: 7. Nays: 0.). Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval.

RESIGNATIONS: Lisabeth Mikolajczyk, Effective June 16, 2000; Lisa Kahler, Effective June 16, 2000; Rebecca Reames, Teacher, First Grade, Merriman Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Anne Lammers, Paraprofessional, Kindergarten, Halecreek Elementary School, Effective June 16, 2000; and Mildred Clayton, Technical Assistant, Effective June 16, 2000.

RETIREMENTS: Elaine Baluk, Teacher, Cory Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; Cassandra Barrs, Teacher, Cory Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; Karen Linebaugh, Teacher, Cory Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; Jean Reott, Teacher, Barth Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; Sheryl Stallings, Teacher, Romulus High School, Effective June 30, 2000; Nancy Talento, Teacher, Wick Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; Maryann Tyhrchniewicz, Teacher, High School, Effective June 30, 2000; Willard Bower, Supervisor, Maintenance, Effective June 30, 2000; Carol Abbley, Paraprofessional, Wick Elementary School, Effective June 30, 2000; and Tereatha Allen, Cook, Cafeteria Department, Effective June 30, 2000.

EMPLOYMENT: Amy Stechschulte, Special Ed. Teacher, Merriman Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Paul Grange, Sixth Grade, Cory Elementary School, Effective August 28, 2000; Julia A. Selerno, Business Ed. Teacher, High School, Effective August 28, 2000; and Akua Saulsberry, Social Studies, Middle School, Effective August 28, 2000.

6/00/18 Moved by Woods supported by Lambert to approve the personnel actions presented by Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

6/00/19 Moved by Dick supported by Lambert to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Mr. William A. Routhier, Director of Business and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Budget Adoption

6/00/20 Moved by Lambert supported by Woods that the Board of Education accept the Administration's recommendation and adopt the 2000–2001 General Fund Budget with revenue of $34,210,988, and expenses of $34,210,988. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Barton Malow/Kingscott Construction Update

Mr. Alton Ainslie, Kingscott Associates, and Todd Ketola, Barton Malow Construction, were present to update the Board of Education on the construction projects and time lines. Mr. Ketola stated that they should start construction on the new elementary by the end of July.

Ground-breaking for New School

The Board of Education scheduled a ground-breaking ceremony for the new school for July 18, 2000, at 11:30 a.m., followed by a luncheon.

Naming of New School

The Board of Education has appointed a committee for the naming of the new school. The members are: Debbie Dick, Alan Lambert, and Eva Webb (Committee Chairperson).

Member Michael Woods was excused momentarily from the meeting.

MAISL – Delegates

6/00/21 Moved by Lambert supported by McCraight that the Board of Education name the following delegates to the Insurance Pools:

MAISL Trust – William A. Routhier, Delegate; Joel R. Carr, Alternate.

MAISL Workers' Compensation – Edward Clark, Delegate.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Summer Recreation – Co-sponsor

6/00/22 Moved by Lambert supported by Webb that the Board of Education co-sponsor the Friday recreation trips for the 2000 Summer Program. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Dick). Motion carried.

Teen Health Center – Allocation

6/00/23 Moved by Woods supported by Dick that the Board of Education subsidize the Teen Health Center $12,000 for the cost of a receptionist. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

Members of the audience voiced their concerns and posed questions to members of the Board of Education relative to the operation of the School District.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, shared the following items of interest with members of the Board: 1) "Thank You" – Romulus Public Library; 2) Students' Art Exhibition; and 3) Education in Philanthropy Project.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Eva Webb expressed her concern relative to every student in the Middle School having access to a science book.

Mr. Michael Woods asked that we write a letter of appreciation to Dennis Niemec, reporter for the *Detroit Free Press*, for his coverage of the Class of 2000.

Mrs. Betty M. Lenossi asked about removal of the tile flooring at Beverly Elementary School. Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, stated that it would be done later this week.

Mrs. Debbie Dick asked Mr. Billy McCraight if the subcommittee has scheduled any meetings regarding cable TV.

Executive Session

6/00/24 Moved by Berlinn supported by Dick that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:43 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 8:25 P.M.

Member Michael Woods was excused at 7:44 P.M.

Salary Adjustments – Non-Union Board Office

6/00/25 Moved by Webb supported by Lambert that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, and approve the schedule for non-union Board Office employees. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

6/00/26 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Kidwell Selected for Henry Ford's "Democracy on the Green" Project

Charles Kidwell – a veteran Romulus Community Schools social-studies teacher who currently serves as a consultant for the district – was recently selected to take part in a Greenfield Village/Henry Ford Museum project called "Democracy on the Green."

The project calls for the development of an educational field trip that makes use of selected sites at both Greenfield Village and the Museum to reinforce concepts that are related to the so-called "core democratic values."

The overall project will combine the resources of the two world-famous facilities with those of the intermediate school systems in the Tri-County area (Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb). Planning for the program will continue through October 2000, with tours starting in 2001.

"The selection of Charles Kidwell to this prestigious project speaks well for the district," commented Tom Dolan, Director of Curriculum, "and is evidence of the high esteem that is accorded to the Romulus Community Schools." ❑

ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

STATUTORY MEETING, JULY 10, 2000

The Statutory Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 10, 2000, was called to order at 6:18 P.M. by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent.

Roll call showed all members present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Carr.

ORGANIZATION OF BOARD:

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, asked for nominations.

Nominations Opened for the Office of President

Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert to nominate Member Woods. There being no other nominations, the nomination for the Office of President was closed. Member Woods elected President unanimously.

Nominations Opened for the Office of Vice-president

Moved by Woods supported by McCraight to nominate Member Berlinn. There being no other nominations, the nomination for the office of Vice-president was closed. Member Berlinn elected Vice-president unanimously.

Nominations Opened for the Office of Secretary

Moved by Woods supported by Lenossi to nominate Member Webb. There being no other nominations, the nomination for the office of Secretary was closed. Member Webb elected Secretary unanimously.

Nominations Opened for the Office of Treasurer

Moved by Woods supported by Webb to nominate Member Lambert. There being no other nominations, the nomination for the office of Treasurer was closed. Member Lambert elected Treasurer unanimously.

DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES:

7/00/1 Moved by Lenossi supported by McCraight that the Board of Education name Comerica and National City to continue as depositories and that the President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, and Superintendent of Schools continue to have the authority to sign authorizing documents requiring two of the five actual signatures or facsimile signatures. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

7/00/2 Moved by Dick supported by Lambert that the Board of Education schedule its meetings on the second and fourth Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

NAMING OF AUDITOR:

7/00/3 Moved by Webb supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education employ the firm of Post, Smythe, Lutz and Ziel to act as auditors for the Board of Education for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

NAMING OF ATTORNEYS:

7/00/4 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert that the Board of Education employ the firm of Keller, Thoma, Schwarze, Schwarze, DuBay and Katz, and Thrun, Maatch and Nordberg, P.C., to act as attorneys for the Board of Education for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS POLICIES:

7/00/5 Moved by Lambert supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education adopt the existing policies of the Romulus Community Schools. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

7/00/6 Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Eva Webb, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

CAN YOU GUESS WHO?

You might not have known our "mystery woman" when this picture was taken, but her adult face is familiar to many people in the City of Romulus.

To learn her identity, anagram (rearrange) each "key word" below – WITH THE ADDITION OF ONE LETTER – to answer the corresponding clue, and fill in the blanks accordingly.

If the puzzle is done correctly, the added letters, read from top to bottom, will spell out the name of this prominent area citizen.

ADD THE LETTER . . . TO THE LETTERS IN . . . TO GET

____ . . . ABETS . . . Easter Bunny's offering _____

____ . . . PARDON . . . humanity's evils came from her box _____

____ . . . PANIC . . . "wild weed" for frisky felines _____

____ . . . COFFIN . . . sheer silk fabric _____

____ . . . MODERNS . . . *The China* ____ (1979 film) _____

____ . . . SAPIENT . . . actor or actress _____

____ . . . INCISE . . . fancy food _____

____ . . . REACH . . . symbol for Sagittarius _____

____ . . . MAIL . . . Mohammed is this religion's chief prophet _____

____ . . . MAIDUS . . . Comerica Park or Wrigley Field _____

For solution, see page 13

YOU'LL FIND IT IN "SERVICE"

How many words of four or more letters can you form using only the letters found in SERVICE? A letter can be used more than once only if it appears more than once. Proper nouns, plurals and present-tense verbs formed by the addition of the letter "s" at the end, obsolete and archaic words, slang and informal words, poetic words, hyphenated words, contractions, alternate spellings, and foreign words are not permitted.

Our list of 17 words can be found on page 13

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ROMULUS COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

36540 Grant Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

REGULAR MEETING, JULY 10, 2000

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, July 10, 2000, was called to order by President Michael Woods at 7:30 P.M.

Roll call showed all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

7/00/7 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

7/00/8 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn to approve the Minutes of June 26, 2000. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

Mr. Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources, offered the following personnel actions for Board approval.

EMPLOYMENT: Mario A. Munoz, Math Teacher, Romulus High School, Effective August 28, 2000; Michael Radford, Fifth-grade Teacher, Cory Elementary, Effective August 28, 2000; Cari Thurkow, Social Studies Teacher, Romulus High School, Effective August 28, 2000; Michelle Zambo, Fifth-grade Teacher, Merriman Elementary, Effective August 28, 2000; and Anne Smith, Speech Teacher, Halecreek Elementary, Effective August 28, 2000.

7/00/9 Moved by Lambert supported by Berlinn to approve the employment of personnel as presented by Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

RETIREMENT: Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent of Schools, Effective May 31, 2000; Dr. Samuel B. LaMonica, Director of Human Resources, Effective July 1, 2000; and Doreen McEvilly, Executive Secretary, Office of the Superintendent, Effective July 1, 2000.

7/00/10 Moved by Lambert supported by Berlinn to approve the retirements of personnel as presented by Mr. Edward Clark, Director of Human Resources. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Bills for Payment

7/00/11 Moved by Lambert supported by Dick to approve the Bills for Payment as submitted by Mr. William A. Routhier, Director of Business and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Ratification of Paraprofessional/Local 3422 Contract

7/00/12 Moved by Dick supported by Lenossi that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, and approve a new collective bargaining agreement with Romulus Federation of Paraprofessionals Local 3422 for the years 2000 through 2003. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Abstain: 1 (Berlinn). Motion carried.

Barton Malow Construction Update

Mr. Todd Ketola and Ms. Tina Woodbeck of Barton Malow Construction were present to update the Board of Education on the construction projects and time lines. Mr. Ketola stated that construction on the new elementary school should commence by the end of July.

7/00/13 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn to accept the low bidders as recommended by the Construction Manager (Barton Malow), the architectural firm (Kingscott Associates), and the Business Manager (William A. Routhier) and award contractor contracts for the new elementary school for Bid Package No. 2 – Site Work, Concrete & Structural Framing Job No. 971150 as follows.

Bid Category	Contractor	Award Amount
02300 Site Work	Sunset Excavating	$389,900
02500 Site Utilities	DeAnglis Contractors	$363,950
02700 Bituminous Paving	Best Asphalt	$281,750
03300 Concrete	Sterling Trenching Co.	$152,766
03308 Slab-on-Grade	Pappas Contracting Co.	$188,300
Bid Category (cont.)	**Contractor**	**Award Amount**
03310 Site Concrete	Pappas Contracting Co.	$116,800
05100 Structural Framing	Art Iron, Inc.	$490,000

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/00/14 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, and join the Michigan Association of Schools Boards for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/00/15 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and join the High School Athletic Association, Inc., for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

7/00/16 Moved by Lenossi supported by Berlinn that the Board of Education accept the recommendation of Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent, and join the Metropolitan Detroit Bureau of School Studies for the 2000/2001 school year. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

President Michael Woods made the following appointments to the District Committees.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Alan Lambert, Kenneth Berlinn, and Eva Webb.
POLICY COMMITTEE: Betty Lenossi, Debbie Dick, and Billy McCraight.
PERSONNEL COMMITTEE: Eva Webb, Kenneth Berlinn, and Billy McCraight.

Communications and Expressions from the Public

There were no communications or expressions from the public.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Mr. Joel R. Carr, Superintendent of Schools, updated the Board with regard to plans being made for ground-breaking. Invitations were sent to elected officials and community leaders, and the entire staff and community were invited to attend the ceremony and the luncheon following.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mr. Kenneth Berlinn informed Board members that he had heard from Chris Kaminski of Lincoln Park that Don Harris, Lincoln Park Board member, had passed away.

Mrs. Debbie Dick addressed concerns regarding MEAP percentages. Also requested costs on tennis courts.

Mrs. Eva Webb highly recommends tennis courts – "the more the better."

Mr. Billy McCraight recommended funds be budgeted and allocated for the purchase of new lawn equipment.

Mr. Michael Woods posed the question of athletes at the High School passing classes to meet athletic requirements and then not passing necessary tests to be accepted into universities and colleges.

Executive Session

7/00/17 Moved by Berlinn supported by Lambert that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 7:54 P.M. and reconvened in Regular Session at 8:21 P.M.

7/00/18 Moved by McCraight supported by Lambert to reconvene meeting. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Meeting reconvened at 8:21 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

7/00/19 Moved by Lenossi supported by Lambert that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Eva Webb, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

District, Administrators OK Contract

Celebrating the new contract agreement between Romulus Community Schools and the Romulus Association of School Administrators were (from left) Joel Carr, Superintendent; Lynne Mossoian, Principal, Halecreek Elementary; Debbie Juriga, Principal, Wick Elementary; Ed Clark, Director of Human Resources; Chris Powers, Assistant Principal, Romulus Middle School; and Doug Hoffman, Principal, Romulus High School.

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Recreation News

Thanks to Debbie Dick, Director, City of Romulus Department of Parks and Recreation, and Keith Brothers, Recreation Coordinator, for supplying information for the "Recreation News" column.

Unless otherwise noted, registration for the following programs should be made at the Romulus Recreation Center (36515 Bibbins) during its regular business hours (weekdays, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.). For more information, stop in at the Center or call 734-942-6852.

Stars & Stripes Tourney

The Romulus Recreation Department and the Independent Softball Association (ISA) held their tenth annual Stars & Stripes Tournament on Tuesday, July 4, 2000, at Elmer Johnson Park. Eight teams, coming from all over southeast Michigan, participated in the one-day, two-game elimination tournament, which was held as part of the City's Hometown Celebration festivities.

On its way to winning first-place honors, Binks Forest defeated Team Junk twice in the finals. Binks Forest was led by Tourney MVP Bill Kostich, who was on base all day and made several outstanding plays from his outfield position. Setting the standard for Team Junk was Dave Mossian, who led all tournament participants with a .900 batting average.

The third-place team was Larsen Maintenance, led by the hitting and excellent pitching of Joe Atherton.

Fall Softball

The Romulus Recreation Department is accepting registrations for the Independent Softball Association (ISA) Fall Softball program. Teams can enroll in either of the following divisions.

Friday Night Men's

- six teams
- ten games (doubleheader format)
- two umpires

Sunday Afternoon Men's

- ten teams
- nine games (doubleheader format)
- two umpires

In each division, a two-game elimination tournament will be held at the end of the season.

A $325-per-team fee (both divisions) covers the cost of umpires, scorekeepers, balls, and awards. Deadline for registration is Friday, August 18.

Note: A mandatory manager's meeting will be held at the Recreation building on Tuesday, August 22, beginning at 7 p.m.

Men's Drop-in Hoops

Adult men who reside in Romulus (proper I.D. required) are invited to play drop-in basketball at Romulus Middle School from 8 to 10 p.m. each Tuesday. Cost is $2 per evening.

Low-impact Kickboxing

The Recreation Department will offer a twice-weekly (Mondays/Wednesdays from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.), low-impact kickboxing class at Romulus Middle School beginning September 11. Cost and other information about this 10-week program is available at the Recreation Center.

Karate

Ages seven and up can take part in this 10-week session, which begins September 11. The Monday/Wednesday classes will be held at the Middle School from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for beginners, and from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. for advanced students. Cost is $30 for one person, $55 for two family members, or $75 for the family plan.

Tai-Chi

An advanced tai-chi class meets at the Recreation Center on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. The next session will begin September 9. Pay the instructor on the first night of class. (For fee information, call the Center.)

Clogging

A new 10-week clogging program will begin at Cory Elementary in the near future. (Call the Center for the next start date.) The Monday classes run from 6 to 7 p.m. for beginners; 7 to 8 p.m. for advanced students. Cost is $20 per person.

Answers

answers to puzzles from page 11

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Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, and Melissa Morton, Manager of the Romulus Tower, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (For more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, please call 734-942-6852.)

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Romulus Tower neighbors born in August: Denise Darocy, Mary Dickason, Marion Ferch, Aria Ibach, Mary Mills, Dorothy Noland, Elsie Robinson, Betty Stokloey, James Thompson, and Maureen Thornhill.

Outside Chore Service

Area young people doing community-service work are available to perform outside chores for senior citizens each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To make arrangements to receive this service, call the Center.

Senior Olympics

The Romulus Senior Center is organizing transportation for those who would like to cheer on their hometown favorites at the 15th annual Downriver Senior Olympics (set for August 7–11 in Southgate). Stop in at the Center for more information.

August Luncheon

Special guests at the Center's next luncheon – set for noon on Friday, August 25 – will be Romulus Mayor William M. Oakley and Representative Ray Basham, who will be on hand to discuss seniors' concerns about local and state government.

"Many people don't realize how much the decisions made in Lansing affect us here at the city level," said Program Coordinator Linda Norman. "Hopefully, this informal question-and-answer session will help all of us better understand the ways that higher government impacts our community directly.

"Be sure to join us for this light luncheon with heavy conversation."

The bill of fare for the afternoon will feature Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, veggies, and dessert. Tickets ($3.50 each) are limited, so be sure to sign up early.

Fair Fun

The Romulus Senior Center has planned a trip to the Monroe County Fair on Wednesday, August 2, and to the Michigan State Fair on Monday, August 28. Details and sign-up sheet are available at the Center.

Eastern Market

The Romulus Senior Center is organizing a trip to downtown Detroit's Eastern Market on Saturday, August 12. The van will depart from the Center at 9:30 a.m., leave the market at noon, stop for lunch, and return at about 2 p.m. Cost of transportation is just $1.50. Sign up at the Center.

Motor City Gambling

Flirt with Lady Luck on Wednesday, August 30, when the Romulus Senior Center travels to Motor City Casino. Cost is $7 per person for transportation ($2 from the Romulus Center to Taylor, plus $5 for the motorcoach that will travel from Taylor to the casino). Since the Center must turn in its participant list two weeks in advance, immediate sign-up is urged.

Regularly Scheduled Activities

The Romulus Senior Center invites you to stop by on your own or bring a friend to take part in any of the following regularly scheduled programs:

- Club #1 meetings (11 a.m. each Tuesday)
- Bunco (1 p.m. each Tuesday)
- Bingo (1 p.m. each Wednesday)
- Fun & Games Night (6 p.m. each Wednesday)
- Pinochle (1 p.m. each Thursday)
- Quilting (7 p.m. each Thursday).

For more information, please contact the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 734-942-6852.

- ***Shipshawana*** (September 5; $62),
- ***Houghton Lake Cruise*** (October 6; $86),
- ***Mackinac Island*** (October 22–25; $519), and
- ***Hawaii Cruise/Tour*** (19 days/September '01; $2,449).

Haircuts

The next date for the Romulus Senior Center's haircut service is Monday, August 21, beginning at 9 a.m. If you would like to take advantage of this affordable ($5) program, call the Center to make an appointment.

Note: All haircut clients are asked to wash their hair before coming to their appointment, as the Center does not have the necessary facilities. ❑

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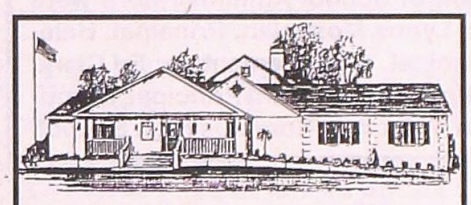
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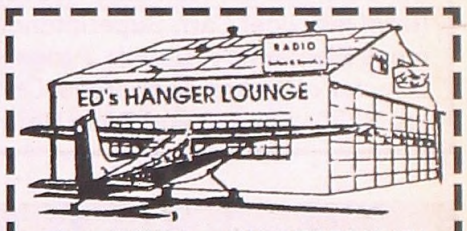

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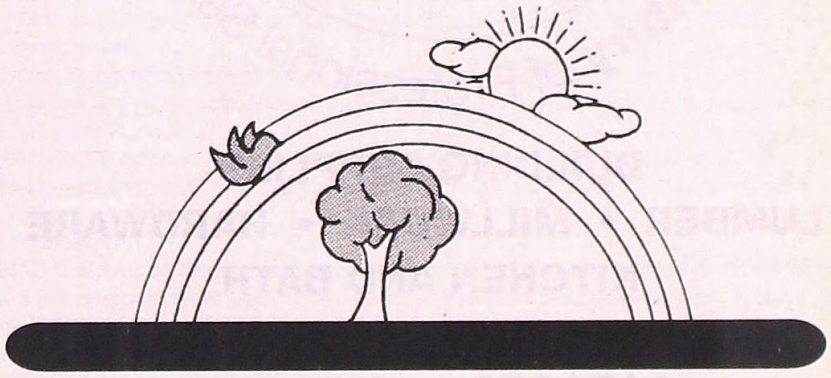
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If you, or your parents, are residents of Romulus, *The Romulus News* will be happy to print an announcement of your engagement or wedding. If possible, please enclose a photograph. There is no charge. Just fill out the following information and mail to:

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The Stork Arrived

Dominic Francis D'Angelo

Lloyd and Tracy D'Angelo of Romulus, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their new son, Dominic Francis D'Angelo.

Dominic was born in Oakwood Hospital (Dearborn, MI) at 6:38 p.m. on Monday, July 3, 2000. He weighed in at 10 pounds even and measured 21.5 inches in length.

Especially excited about the new arrival was his big sister, Sicilee Paige D'Angelo.

Dominic's paternal grandparents are Paul and Cheryl D'Angelo (Garden City, MI); Jim Foust (Woodhaven, MI) and Rochelle Foust (Romulus, MI) are his maternal grandparents.

Dominic Francis D'Angelo

Sidney Lynn Farnan

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Proudly announcing the birth of their new daughter, Sidney Lynn Farnan, are Sean and Raynee Farnan of Romulus, Michigan.

Born in Oakwood Hospital (Dearborn, MI) at 2:27 p.m. on Tuesday, July 11, 2000, Sidney weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces, and measured 20 inches in length.

Sidney's big brother, five-year-old Tyler Farnan, was especially excited about her arrival.

Carmen and Nancy Talento (Romulus, MI) are Sidney's paternal grandparents; her maternal grandparents are Bill and Sandi Benedict (New Boston, MI).

Makayela Elizabeth Shepperd

John and Denise (Richards) Shepperd of Warren, Michigan, are proud to announce the birth of their new daughter, Makayela Elizabeth Shepperd.

Makayela was born in William Beaumont Hospital (Royal Oak, MI) at 11:20 a.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2000, weighing six pounds even and measuring 20 inches in length.

Looking forward to playing with the new arrival when she gets a little older are family pets (dogs) Baily and Jack.

Makayela's maternal grandparents are Dennis and Kaye Richards (Romulus, MI); her maternal great-grandmother is Maxine Coleman (Paintsville, KY).

The late Jean Shepperd (formerly of Warren, MI) is Makayela's paternal grandmother. ❑

Makayela Elizabeth Shepperd

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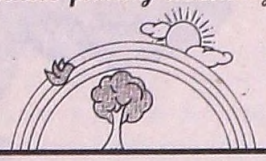

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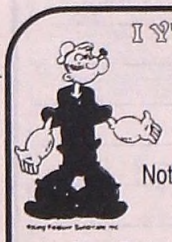

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